

REMARKS

Claims 1-9 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1 and 6-8 are amended, and claim 9 is added. No new matter is added.

Reconsideration based on the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

I. The Claims Define Patentable Subject Matter

The Office Action rejects claims 1-8 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) over U.S. Publication No. 2002/0186958 to Ikeda et al. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claims 1-9 are not anticipated by Ikeda. Ikeda does not disclose an image processing apparatus that includes "a display control device that simultaneously displays the list of the plurality of sets of the image information to said display device by said list display device and outputs the selected image information by said output device," as recited in amended independent claim 1. Similarly, Ikeda does not disclose an image processing method or program that includes "a display control step in which simultaneously the list of the plurality of sets of image information in said list display step is displayed and an output of the selected image information in said output step is outputted," as recited in amended independent claim 6, and similarly recited in amended independent claims 7 and 8. Further, Ikeda does not disclose an image processing apparatus that includes "a display control device that can switch a first display mode, in which the same image information is simultaneously supplied to said display device and said output device, with a second display mode, in which different image information is simultaneously supplied to said display device and said output device," as recited in new independent claim 9.

Instead, Ikeda only discloses that thumbnail images of the moving images are list displayed. See, e.g., Ikeda, paragraph [0034]. Furthermore, nowhere does Ikeda disclose that a thumbnail image is list-displayed while a moving image is being reproduced. Thus, Ikeda

does not disclose the claimed display control device, which simultaneously supplies different image information to a display device and an output device.

Furthermore, because Ikeda and the above-identified application are assigned to the same entity, Ikeda cannot be applied in a 35 U.S.C. §103(a) rejection.

Therefore, for at least the reasons discussed above, claims 1 and 6-9 are patentable over Ikeda. Further, claims 2-5, which depend from claim 1, are patentable over Ikeda for at least the reasons discussed above with respect to claim 1. Withdrawal of the rejection is thus respectfully requested.

II. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-9 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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